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GLOWBUGS Digest 54

Topics covered in this issue include:

- 1) Re: GB: Who didn't grow up on tubes?
by Andy Wallace <wallace@mc.com>

Date: Fri, 22 Dec 95 12:00:02 EST
From: Andy Wallace <wallace@mc.com>
To: mjsilva@ix.netcom.com, glowbugs@theporch.com
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From: mjsilva@ix.netcom.com (michael silva)
Subject: GB: Who didn't grow up on tubes?

I'd like to hear from
any younger tube fans who discovered tubes
after they became "obsolete", and find out what the attraction was in
those cases.

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Hi, Mike, and everyone. Pardon the late reply. My mailbox is about
1300 messages behind.

I got into tubes because I didn't really have the option of getting a solid-state receiver. My SWLing interest started in '76 when I was lent my grand-dad's Air Castle table set. I spent several months enjoying the BBC while watching that green magic eye on the front.

Later, I graduated to a National NC-98. That was fun to use, and began my love with National style and of course the beautiful S-meter!

After that, around 1977, an HR0-50 made its way into the bedroom. What a dream receiver.

So anyway, when you look at what solid-state receivers were available at that time, nothing really could help a 13-year-old with a \$3 allowance. I think I just grew up assuming all ham rigs used tubes. My dad was using his Heath SB-line into the late 1970s.

As far as the attraction -- it's the same as today. These are NEAT LOOKING RADIOS. The fact that a lot of them can perform quite well is a side benefit. The fact that most of them don't cost an arm and a leg is also nice.

73,
--Andy
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